

Substitute for form 1449/PTO				<i>Complete if Known</i>	
				Application Number	10/719,065
				Filing Date	November 24, 2003
				First Named Inventor	Johannes Catharinus Hubertus MULKENS
				Art Unit	2851
				Examiner Name	Kim, Peter B.
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	1857.5270004

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if Known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
US1		5,229,872	07-20-1993	Mumola	
US2		5,250,797	10-05-1993	Asahina et al.	
US3		5,296,891	03-22-1994	Vogt et al.	
US4		5,347,561	09-13-1994	Ebinuma	
US5		5,523,193	06-04-1996	Nelson	
US6		5,929,977	07-27-1999	Ozawa	
US7		5,969,441	10-19-1999	Loopstra et al.	
US8		6,046,792	04-04-2000	Van Der Werf et al.	
US9		6,262,796 B1	07-17-2001	Loopstra et al.	
US10		6,455,862 B1	09-24-2002	Van der Veen et al.	
US11		6,813,004 B1	11-02-2004	Horikoshi et al.	
US12					
US13					
US14					
US15					
US16					
US17					
US18					
US19					
US20					

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ³ Number ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines
FP1		WO 98/33096 A1	07-30-1998	Micronic Laser Systems AB	
FP2		WO 98/38597 A2,A3	09-03-1998	Micronic Laser Systems AB	
FP3		WO 99/52130 A1	10-14-1999	Nei et al.	
FP4		WO 00/31780 A1	06-02-2000	Nippon Kogaku KK	
FP5		JP 2000-306807 A	11-02-2000	Nikon Corp.	
FP6		EP 1 122 609 A2	08-08-2001	Nippon Kogaku KK	
FP7		EP 0 843 152 A2	05-20-1998	Hewlett Packard Co.	
FP8		EP 1 143 491 A1	10-10-2001	Nikon Corporation	
FP9					

881132_1.DOC

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
--------------------	-----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. **SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO				<i>Complete if Known</i>	
				<i>Application Number</i>	10/719,065
				<i>Filing Date</i>	November 24, 2003
				<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Johannes Catharinus Hubertus MULKENS
				<i>Art Unit</i>	2851
				<i>Examiner Name</i>	Kim, Peter B.
Sheet	1	of	1	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	1857.5270004

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published	T ²
	NPL1	European Search Report, EP 01 30 4678, mailed July 6, 2004, 3 pgs.	
	NPL2		
	NPL3		
	NPL4		
	NPL5		
	NPL6		
	NPL7		
	NPL8		
	NPL9		
	NPL10		

881143_1.DOC

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.